

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 1-19, 21-23, 25-26 and 32 are requested to be cancelled.

Claims 20, 24, 27, 30, and 31 are currently being amended.

Claims 33-40 are being added.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

The specification has been amended to add the character references noted by the examiner.

The other informalities in the specification noted by the examiner have been corrected.

The informalities listed by the examiner in those claims that have not been cancelled have been corrected. Note that for claim 28, the antecedent for “the type” is found in claim 27.

The rejection of claim 30 under 35 USC 101 has been obviated by appropriate amendment.

Claims 20, 24, and 27-31 have been rejected under Yacoub (6,452,692) by itself, or Yacoub in view of Official Notice, Yacoub in view of Official Notice and further in view of Goodman (2003/0009672). This rejection is respectfully traversed to the extent that it is applied to the claims as amended.

Yacoub discloses a print server for print jobs wherein the server receives preferences regarding a print job from the user regarding such things as speed and image quality, and the

server then determines an appropriate printer complying with the job preferences that is located physically near the user.

Yacoub does not disclose “upon receiving at browser a request for a service, a browser extension in the browser of an imaging client automatically access a user profile in an autonomous network service unrelated to the requested service and getting a criterion for selection of destination method for providing a destination.” Yacoub discloses a server operation. Although user preferences may be obtained via a client extension, the extension is not a Web extension for a browser. Thus, Yacoub cannot dialogue with Web content loaded in a browser. The claimed step requires that the browser extension automatically access a user profile in an autonomous network service unrelated to the requested service. Thus, this element further requires the concept of an autonomous network service unrelated to the requested service that stores user profiles that may be accessed from the network. The user profile would be data associated with the user that would provide the desired criterion for selection of the destination.

Yacoub does not disclose the criterion getting step, much less going out on the network and getting the criterion from an autonomous network service, much less in the context of a browser.

Regarding claim 27, the office action uses Yacoub and invokes Official Notice, on the rationale that “it would have been obvious to the one of ordinary skill in the art to incorporate the limitations set forth above in order to further show the type of document or web content that needs to be printed and help in locating the document on the network.” However, in applicants’ claimed invention, the type of website as a criterion would be set by the user in his profile data for particular levels of printing in advance and is set to be automatic based on a simple access to an autonomous network service. This feature facilitates a personal decision by the user. There is nothing to suggest this in Yacoub. Note that the location of the document is not relevant to the claimed method.

Regarding claims 24, 28 and 29, the reference Yacoub is applied in view of Goodman and the previously noted Official Notice. Goodman discloses a method for a real time control

of document printing. Client requests for printing are intercepted and routed to a Mirage server. The Mirage server determines if the document may be printed based on security rules, and if printing is permissible, it encrypts the document and embeds an encrypted header therein. A printer server dialogue box may be presented to the user to select print options. See paragraphs 60, 118, and 130. Goodman is cited for the print attributes including a URL where the document is located. See Table I on page 8 and Table II on page 9. The office action states that it would have been obvious to incorporate the teaching of Goodman into Yacoub in view of Official Notice because it would help to locate the source of the document to be printed and the closest available printer to the client. However, the claimed invention uses the URL or the website type to determine a destination for the service to be performed. The location of the document as it relates to a closest available printer (which is not claimed) has no pertinence to the destination. Moreover, one of ordinary skill would not be motivated to modify the network print server of Yacoub with the intercept operation of Goodman to obtain an operable system.

In accordance with MPEP 2144.03, applicants timely traverse/challenge the various official notice invocations for claims 24, and 27-29 and request that the point of official notice be supported by a citation to a reference, as set forth by the MPEP Office requirements, and that a suggestion in the prior art be pointed out for a motivation to combine these Noticed elements to realize the claimed combinations. In view of the fact that this is a two reference combination supplemented by multiple resorts to Official Notice for some of the elements, such a citation is requested to illustrate that applicants' specification is not being used as a blueprint for such a combination. This traverse of the official notice is made insofar as these statements of official notice are applied to the claims as amended.

To summarize, there is nothing that discloses the automatic profile access to an autonomous network service to obtain the criterion, as required. Thus, the claims are allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the application is now in a condition for allowance.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance.
Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

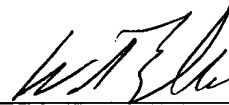
The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a
telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

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